Union Congressional Committee Rooms,

No. 396 FOURTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C

June 29, 1864.

Sir:

The importance of the pending contest for the Presidency cannot be exaggerated. It is not too much to say that the fate of the Union and of Constitutional Liberty on this Continent hangs upon its decision. The plain issue presented is a bold maintenance of the Union cause on the one hand, or on the other a base surrender of all that has been thus far upheld by the outpouring of patriotic blood and the expenditure of the Nation's treasure.

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